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THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP BY THE NEWS MAN.

Maple syrup has appeared in the market.

School at the Academy opened yesterday.

Mrs. Wm. Bradbury was in South Paris, Saturday.

J. F. Ballard of Gilead was in our village Friday.

Dr. Carroll of Bryant Pond has located in this village.

Mrs. A. M. Farwell is visiting her mother at West Bethel.

Miss Sadie Mason went to Bridgton Saturday, for a short visit.

Mr. H. N. Upton is attending court at So. Paris as jurymen.

Mr. A. F. Farwell of Cottage City is spending a few days in town.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. Hiram Bean, Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. E. C. Park and daughter Muriel visited in South Paris, last week.

Mr. H. Clinton Barker has been appointed auctioneer for Oxford county.

There will be no preaching at the Congregational church next Sunday.

Mrs. H. C. Andrews and Miss Bessie Andrews were in Lewiston, last week.

Mrs. C. L. Davis and daughter Maud spent Sunday and Monday in Auburn.

Judge A. E. Herrick was in Portland on business, last Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. Kittredge and Miss Henrietta Douglas returned to Farmington, Monday.

Miss Ruth King returned from a week's visit with friends in Norway, Monday.

Rev. Wm. Hotze of Gilead, was in Bethel to attend the Varley-Rand wedding.

Misses Mellie and Emma Timberlake of Phillips, are visiting at Ceylon Rowe's.

Jameson Finney, who has been visiting in the village, returned to Norway Saturday.

The Ladies' Church Aid will meet at the class-room, Thursday afternoon, at 2:30.

Mrs. M. A. Dudley returned last week from an extended visit to relatives in Massachusetts.

The W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. Billings. The birthday of Gen. Neal Dow was observed.

Supper and social at the Universalist chapel Friday evening of this week. Usual prices.

Mr. Herman Mason attended the reunion of Bridgton Academy at the Falmouth in Portland.

Miss Fouti Manning will not attend the spring term of Gould's Academy, as she expects to teach.

Miss Belle Purington, who has been spending the winter in Massachusetts, returned home last week.

Mrs. John Holt of Andover, Mass., is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Purington.

Miss Alice Mason and Miss Luella Boothby of Berlin, N. H., visited Mrs. O. M. Mason on their return from Boston, last week.

At the Methodist church, next Sunday, the pastor will preach to young men especially; subject, Money vs. Character; seats free.

Miss Addie Gordon is spending a week in Portland, where she went to consult a physician in regard to a trouble with her throat.

On page 3 of this issue will be found the beginning of the story which Lieut. Nathaniel Segar, one of Bethel's earliest settlers, told of his captivity during the Revolutionary War. This story will be continued several weeks, and it is with pleasure we offer it to our readers.

Prof. W. S. Wight arrived home Monday, after several weeks' stay in Somerset county, where he has been drilling several large music classes. He gave the largest concert at Madison one evening last week which he has ever given in a total of over 300.

Varley-Rand Wedding.

A very pretty wedding took place at the home of Rev. and Mrs. F. E. Rand at seven o'clock Tuesday evening, when their daughter, Mabelle Cressy, was united in marriage with Rev. Arthur Varley, formerly pastor of the Bethel Congregational church, the father of the bride officiating. Mrs. John Voorhees Holt of Andover, Mass., presided at the piano, and to the strains of Lohengrin's wedding march the bridal party entered; the bridegroom went to the altar unattended, and was followed by the bride who was also unattended. The ring service was used and was very impressive.

The bride was gowned in white, and the groom wore the conventional black.

The parlor was very prettily decorated with potted plants and house flowers.

Refreshments were served, and the cutting of the wedding cake by the bride was a pleasant feature of the social hour which followed the ceremony.

The presents were very beautiful, consisting of cut glass, silver and decorated china, and dainty handiwork, into which much loving thought had been wrought, and were expressions of the esteem and love with which groom and bride are held.

Misses Beulah and Estella Bartlett, two of Mrs. Varley's music pupils, were faithful attendants during the evening.

Rev. and Mrs. Varley left on the nine o'clock train for a short wedding trip, after which they will go to Winslow, where Mr. Varley has recently accepted a pastorate. They carry to their new home the good wishes of a large circle of friends who wish them many years of usefulness and happiness.

LOVELL.

G. W. Walker has sold one of his horses and bought a good one of Geo. Weston of Fryeburg.

O. E. Andrews went to So. Paris Friday, to bring home his daughter, Albertha, for the school vacation.

The drama, "Down East" was presented at the American House Hall, Friday evening and with the music of Robinson's Orchestra of Fryeburg was thoroughly enjoyed by a large audience. The hall was crowded.

The Fryeburg stage has changed from runners to wheels, three weeks earlier than last year.

WILSON'S MILLS.

A week of very warm weather culminated in a thunder shower, passing over at 5 p. m., March 2.

G. P. Wilson, who has been staying at Flint's hotel for nearly a year, has returned to Boston.

Game Warden Lewis Olson, was at home a short time the first of the week.

S. W. Bennett went to Parmachenee Lake where he will meet Austin Cary, who is running lines for the Berlin Mills Co. on townships above the lake.

R. A. Storey has gone to Portland to enter the Maine General Hospital.

Mr. Wm. Lamb of Rangeley made a brief visit to his daughter, Mrs. Guy W. Brooks. His daughter, Loubelle, who has been staying with her sister, returned with him Tuesday.

J. W. Clark, E. H. and G. W. Brooks were called to Putnamville, Vt., the first of the week by the serious illness of Mrs. Henry Holmes. Her brothers returned Thursday, reporting her somewhat improved. Mr. Clark will stay with her for some time.

Died in Putnamville, Vt., March 7, Herbert James, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Holmes, aged 2 weeks and 4 days.

The Shepherd sheltered the tiny lamb With his tender loving arm, From the storms of life He took him away

To the land of peace and calm.

Mrs. Clark of Lynn, Mass., arrived in Bethel Monday night, to assist in caring for Dan Spearin, who is very ill at the home of Mr. Jodrey. Mr. Spearin's little girl accompanied her grandmother to Bethel.

Communciation.

Lee Camp, Soldier's Home, Richmond, Va. Feb. 20, 1902. General Clark S. Edwards, Bethel Maine.

MY DEAR GENERAL:—

The perusal of your letters pertaining to the stirring times of '61 to '65, as appearing in the Bethel newspaper, has been of engrossing interest to me. I told you in my last that I wanted to study them as I read them, for I well knew how my attention would be riveted by the description of localities so well known and sacred to me, and of scenes so lurid and ghastly to which we, as soldiers— you on your side, and I on mine— became only too familiarized. Ah! how I can follow you as you commence the war history of Co. "I" of the gallant 5th Maine Infantry, with the flag presentation at Camp Preble in '61, and trace its career through those dark days; of the dreadful takings off of the individuals of the company; of the mournful letters that had to be written to homes once bright and joyous, now to be sunk into desolation. Do not I understand? Do not I sympathize? Do not I recall similar outcries of woe in our Southland? Do not I, in fancy, behold again the distorted visages of loved ones as they in agony, panted away their breath? Oh, thank God! Peace came at last, and when it came, it meant, for me and for all our soldiers at least, real peace. The consciousness of duty performed, whatever the sacrifice, sustained us in defeat. Never forget, the South believed itself in the right, as did the North justify its course. Never doubt that, my dear General. And though the lessons were stern and heart-rending on both sides, we must, and do, I hope, all of us, recognize God's sovereignty, and in the mighty results flowing from the struggle, bow to His will, admitting His wisdom. The American nation, the Nation— north, south, east and west, could scarcely have accomplished the Spanish war without the preparation and experience of our Civil struggle. And as a nation, what a destiny is before us! I do not attempt criticism of those who have administered, or comment upon the conditions now confronting us as a nation. That we have advanced with wonderful strides amongst the nations of the world is indisputable; that our grasp is on strange and far-reaching possessions cannot be denied. And all to what end? Let us ask His guidance who overrules all things—that our course may be so "ordered by His governance, that peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety may be established among us for all generations."

It seems to me that in the developments of the late war there is enough to silence any doubter of the loyalty of all the people. Wheeler and Lee were just as brave and earnest as in '61 to '65, as Cuba and the Philippines testify; and the southern veterans of those years did not discourage the enlistment of their sons against the Spaniard. We are one people, and my prayer, and I doubt not, that of all Lee's soldiers, is that nothing may ever interrupt our harmony, but that we may become the foremost nation of the world in all that is good and true. The days of army life were not all dark. Hope cheered us often, did it not? It was even revivifying to live out doors as we had to do, and it was impossible sometimes, amid all the gloom, not to see the humors of things in the make-shifts we attempted and the oddities of the various characters we encountered. And to the observant eye and tender heart, there never failed to present itself the pathetic side of life. Up to that memorable (to me) evening of November 7, 1863, I can keep you and your brave regiment in sight, off and on; but I was one of the 1200 whom at Rappahannock station, you placed hors de combat, thereby perhaps enabling me to write now; for who can tell what my fate might have been, otherwise? It indeed seems miraculous that any body escaped alive through some of the furies you and I survived.

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BUSINESS POINTERS.

Business Readers will be published in this column at eight cents per line, reckoning six words to the line.

All kinds of people are hurrying to get the bargains Miss E. E. Burnham offers. It is natural they should, for she has the goods at prices which make them interesting. You'll like the variety and quality of the patterns for Silk Waists which she is now showing.

An Assault on April First.

It appears that the leading club women of a prominent Western city have pronounced against the pranks of All Fools' Day. These pleasantries, say the ladies, lack in real humor, and do nothing for the betterment of the race. Alas one by one are the cherished institutions of the ages attacked! The only gleam of light in the darkness is the fact that these are the same ladies who early in February issued a manifesto against the comic valentine, the latter part of the month bringing a statement from the manufacturers of these works of art that sales were never larger.

Why do the ladies rage against the first of April? Is it possible that they have been the victims of some of this humor which is not real humor? Or, worse yet, have they attempted some of this spurious humor which has failed? It is a sad thing to try to pick up a pocketbook just as it is jerked away by a string, but it is sadder carefully to arrange such a masterpiece of humor and then to have the intended victim plant his foot on the string and with an unfeeling jeer cast the purse into the middle of the street. But surely prominent club women, leaders of society, would never hide behind a lumber pile gleefully holding a pocketbook string while they waited for the principal of the school to come along. It is not so certain, however, that they might not on occasion essay the annexation of a strong purse, or take up one stringless but stuffed with sand and paper. Then, too, they may easily have fallen victims to the toothsome-looking doughnut harboring nothing but cotton-batting, or the pumpkin pie concocted of sawdust and soap.

But, after all, the cause of the ladies' action is of minor importance; the real point is, is this the beginning of a movement which will sweep away another of childhood's delicious joys? It seems especially hard to think of giving up the ancient hat with the brick under it on the sidewalk. Here we have real humor; no club woman shall tell us that it is not real; it is the true essence of humor, embodied, made concrete and manifest to the eye—and toe. Besides, this is of real benefit to society; the leading citizen, perhaps grown haughty, purse-proud and overbearing, suffers a true chastening of the spirit and is a better man after he has kicked the ancient headgear in his arrogant way and found the brick. The memory of it goes with him through the year, and turns his thoughts to good works. Woman, spare April Fool Day; touch not a single joke!—Saturday Evening Post.

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The smallest painting in the world is said to be on the smooth side of a grain of corn and represents a miller and his mill with quite a landscape included. It is the work of a Flemish artist and under a magnifying glass is seen to be drawn with perfect accuracy.

A ragman who was gathering up worn out clothing in the country purchased a pair of discarded trousers at a farm house and he incidentally remarked to the man of the house as he paid for the stuff he bought: "I see that you are about to lose your land on a mortgage." "Guess you are right, but will you tell me how in Sam Hill you found it out?" "Easy enough," said the cheerful ragman as he settled back on his peddling wagon. "I notice these old pants are completely played out so far as the part of them you sit on is concerned but they show mighty little wear anywhere else."

A merchant who had a store in each of two small neighboring towns recently tried an experiment. He put a bargain counter in each store, containing the same articles at exactly the same prices. In the newspaper of one village he advertised his special counter. In the paper of the other he did not advertise, and sold goods amounting to \$984. In the store the same month where he did advertise he sold goods amounting to \$1,723. In commenting on the result of his experiment that merchant says: "The people who got the advertisement pass by one of my stores and drive miles to the other for what they could have gotten at the same price at my store at their door."

There have been a number of stories as to who imported the English sparrow to this country. The following is said to be authentic. During the time that Wm. F. Smith represented the twenty-second ward in the councils of Germantown, he presented an ordinance appropriating \$300 with which to purchase English sparrows to destroy the measuring worms that had become a nuisance in the public squares. John Bradsley an Englishman, but for many years a resident of Germantown, was delegated to go to England to secure the sparrows. Being familiar with the English birds he had no trouble in catching them in nets. He secured between 300 and 400. On his way over from England one-half the sparrows died, but enough existed to increase the little pests, which have since become more troublesome than the worms.

The local newspaper, truthfully says an exchange, should be found in every home. No children should be brought up ignorant who can be taught to appreciate home papers. It is said to be the stepping stone to intelligence in all those matters not found in books. Give your children one foreign paper with not one word about any person, place or thing they ever saw or heard of, and how do you suppose them to be interested? But let them read the home paper and hear from people whom they meet, and of places with which they are familiar, and soon an interest is awakened which increases with the arrival of every local paper. Thus a habit of reading is formed; and those children will read papers all their lives, and become intelligent men and women, a credit to their ancestors, and strong in the knowledge of the world as it is to-day.

The Maine Pedagogical Society will hold its next annual meeting at Waterville in October, instead of Christmas week as in the past.

The contract has been let for the extension of the Rockland, Thomaston and Camden trolley line to Warren, and work will begin very soon.

Kubelik "fiddled" \$22,000 out of Chicago in four concerts. The Bohemian violinist also helped dissipate the notion that Americans love gold better than art.

If it is true that the Empress Dowager of China showered tears and gems on Mrs. Conger in token of her sorrow for the recent occurrences, even a setting of diamonds will not convince the world that her tears are not crocodile tears.

A new college team has been formed. Boston University has a "gospel team" of eight men, that will do evangelistic work this winter among half a dozen other colleges. They work without pay or gate receipts. If we knew their yell, we would give it heartily.

Passenger traffic between America and Europe has more than doubled during the past five years. Half a million crossed the Atlantic last year. This friendly intercourse is one of the best guarantees against half a million ever crossing with hostile intent.

Here are a few of the news items gathered at large from the press of the country about the new Secretary of the Treasury: He does not drink, smoke, swear, chew, dance or gamble. He eats pie three times a day and has six toes on one foot. These are given on the authority of a number of the most prominent journals.

In England an officer was court-martialed for being drunk. His servant, who was an Irishman, was asked by the Court whether his master was sober on the night when he was stated to have been drunk. "Yes, sir," the servant replied "he was quite sober." "How do you know he was sober?" "Because he asked me to call him early." This was a convincing answer. But one of the officers of the court-martial, remembering that there was no early parade on the following morning, asked the servant what reason his master gave for wishing to be called early. Without a moment's hesitation the servant replied: "He said he was the Queen of May, sir." That, of course, concluded the case.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST.

In Germany the yearly number of divorces exceed 10,000.

with the Boers, from a large number of Senators and Deputies.

Nearly 4,000,000 acres of land are irrigated by farmers in Colorado.

There are 600,000 people in Italy employed in rearing silk worms.

The last German wheat crop was 35 per cent below that of 1900.

The United States require the service of about 130,000 physicians.

The highest mountain peak in Colorado is Sierra Blanca, 14,483 feet high.

In seven months of last year, 3,058 bulls and over 5000 horses were killed at bull fights in Spain.

British experts report the discovery in Africa of new mines of gold and copper of unlimited richness.

A bill has been introduced in the Virginia Legislature permitting women to carry arms. Where?

A new Pro-Boer paper called Paris Pretoria has made its appearance in Paris. It contains communications sympathizing

Contracts for the shipment of 500 car loads of tobacco from this country to Oriental ports have been made with the great Northern railroad.

During the recent maneuvers of the French army telegraph wires so fine that a man could carry on spools, four miles of it, was successfully laid at the rate of two and one half miles an hour.

The House committee in Congress has unanimously voted to report bills for the admission of Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma to statehood.

The oldest reigning family in the world is that of Japan. The present emperor is the 123d ruler of his line, his ancestors having been on the Japanese throne ever since 600 B. C., or about the time of Nebuchadnezzar.

Hon. John D. Long tendered his resignation as Secretary of the Navy to President Roosevelt, recently, and the same was accepted by the President, to take effect May 1. Congressman Moody of Massachusetts will be appointed to fill the vacancy.

The old superstition that disasters come in threes was strangely emphasized in the case of the Park Avenue Hotel fire in New York. The fire was the third disaster on Park Avenue this year, the others being the tunnel disaster and the subway explosion.

Census figures show that the increase in manufactures in the past decade has caused the factories to grow by half. More specifically, there has been a 44 per cent. increase in the number of establishments, and 51 per cent. increase in the amount of capital invested.

One of the pension department officials says that within ten years the expenditure for pensions will decrease fifty per cent. The pension appropriation this year is \$135,000,000, or \$3,000,000 less than it was last year, and he believes this is the beginning of the decline.

Dizzy?

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Awful Explosion of Gas.

The following report of the West Brookfield acetylene gas explosion may prove interesting to some of our readers. We have also appended an editorial mention of the explosion taken from the same paper. Acetylene gas makes a pretty light, but when it chooses, it makes an awful explosion:

W. Brookfield, Feb. 16.—A gas explosion last night wrecked the home of T. E. Gould. Mrs. Gould and Mary Tomblen were killed in the wreck. Margaret Lahey, a domestic, who was injured and burned, died to-night at a hospital in Worcester.

Mr. Gould was injured internally and his right leg was amputated. He will recover.

Mrs. Fenton, a sister of Mrs. Gould, was in the house but escaped with slight injuries.

The explosion was caused by gas escaping from a generator. Mr. Gould was in the cellar near the machine at the time.

The house is a complete wreck. It was worth \$6000, and was elegantly furnished, the loss being nearly \$3000 on the contents.

The explosion was terrific, and shook the ground and buildings in the vicinity for 500 yds., and a window was broken in a house more than that distance away.

It is estimated that over 4000 persons, some coming long distances, visited the scene of yesterday's gas explosion, and many carried away souvenirs.

The medical examiner has sent in his report of the explosion, in which he states it was due to acetylene gas. He holds no one responsible and says there is no necessity for an inquest.

That explosion at W. Brookfield

was the result of a gas machine. These machines can be very dangerous affairs, if they spring leaks. Plenty of people in country towns make their own gas, and half of the people who own machines do not know what to do when anything goes wrong. Since acetylene was invented, the danger has grown worse, but it is seldom that a really nasty blow-up happens.

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

He.—"Through woman, you know, came all of our woe." She.—"I'm tired to death of that story. It was all Adam's fault that poor Eve was tempted. It was such a relief to get someone to talk with, even if it were Satan; for it is probable that Adam was about as mummy as the average married man at home."

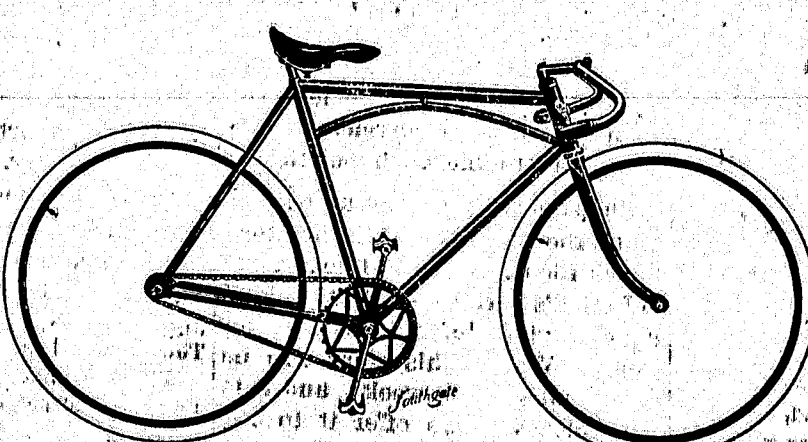
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Island Pond, leave,	A. M.
Gorham,	2.30
Gilead,	4.30
West Bethel,	5.30
BETHEL, arrive,	5.14
Lookes Mills,	5.30
Bryant Pond,	5.30
South Paris,	6.00
Lewiston,	7.00
Portland,	8.00

TRAINS GOING WEST

Portland, leave,	A. M.
Lewiston,	9.00
South Paris,	9.30
Bryant Pond,	10.00
Lookes Mills,	10.30
BETHEL, arrive,	10.46
West Bethel,	10.54
Gilead,	11.05
Gorham,	11.33
Island Pond,	1.30

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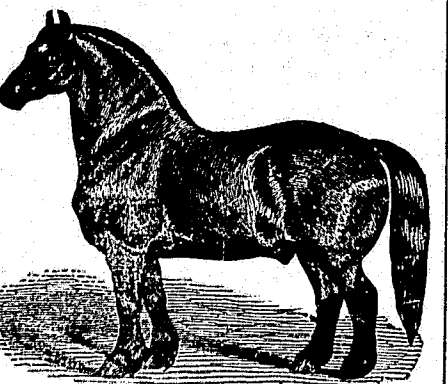
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It has been our practice for years when cleaning house, to sprinkle all the floors with chloride of lime in solution (a whisk broom used) before the carpets are again laid. It sweetens everything—closets, chests, and the house generally, but must not be allowed to touch fabrics, or they will be badly spotted. A large bottle of the solution kept in bedrooms to rinse out the china every morning will keep it sweet smelling. It is a good plan to utilize empty vases for disinfectant jars. In sick apartments chloride of lime has no equal.

Half a pound of the powder to a gallon of soft water is the correct proportion for these and similar uses. For sick rooms, place it about in open bowls. We also use it to sweeten butter jars and fruit cans that have been used for pickles.

For those who live in the country there is no better agent for cleaning out-buildings or portions of the stables than chloride of lime. Where there are rotting timbers it may be used to prevent the collection of vermin, and it may be scattered with good effect over land where fruit has been allowed to lie and spoil.

All drains and vaults are rendered more healthful and less foul-some by its use in powdered form and bath tubs should be cleansed with it every time after use as a precaution against infectious disease. Particularly is this necessary in a house where there are strangers to whom must be allowed the privilege of the bath room.

Learning to Howl.

It is an old Spanish proverb, we believe, "He who lives with wolves will soon learn to howl." He who lives with the faults of his friends, and counts them over, and sorts them, and weighs them, and measures them, will soon have equally grave ones of his own, which his friends will be sure to see, and which will make him positively unable to cure them. There is nothing that so deteriorates the character as this undue looking after faults and blemishes in others while we are blind to our own. We may abhor meanness and stinginess in our neighbor, and be able to give a hundred reasons why he should give away more in charity, and see a thousand little things which indicate his smallness of soul, and at the same time we may be so engrossed with one phase of meanness in him as to forget another phase of meanness in ourselves. We may abhor untruth so vehemently in some one else, that we shall forget to hate impurity in ourselves. We may despise our neighbor for his sharpness and trickery, and spread over our own slackness and idleness and shiftlessness the coverlet of "Thank God I'm not a sharper!" The idle, thriftless man can never reform the over-shrewd speculator; the impure man can never lift the untruthful man out of the bog; the gossip is not fit to cure the miser of his selfishness. There is only one way, after all, to reform the world. Not by learning to howl at its faults or to bark at its mistakes, but first to begin the work of reformation with ourselves. We come back inevitably to the old truth so often before stated: "In order to make the best of others, we must first make the best of ourselves."—Selected.

Danger of Colds and La Grippe.

The greatest danger from colds and la grippe is their resulting in pneumonia. If reasonable care is used, however, and Chamberlain's Cough Remedy taken, all danger will be avoided. Among the tens of thousands who have used this remedy for these diseases, we have yet to learn of a single case having resulted in pneumonia, which shows conclusively that it is a certain preventive of that dangerous malady. It will cure a cold or an attack of la grippe in less time than any other treatment. It is pleasant and safe to take.

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[Deferred Correspondence.]

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Mrs. J. C. Dill and son Archie, of Abbott, are visiting Mrs. Dill's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eben Barker. Mrs. Etta Bean has returned from Lawrence, Mass., where she has been spending the past two weeks.

A supper and social for the benefit of the library was given at Union hall Thursday. After an excellent meal for which ten cents was asked, the evening was spent in dancing and games by the young people, while the older ones played whist. Another will be given Wednesday, Mar. 12. Supper from 6 to 7 o'clock. Price, 10c.

SUNDAY RIVER.

The heavy rains last week did no serious damage here, except to carry away the bridge over Bull Branch near S. N. Littlehale's.

Will Williamson, who is working for C. B. Foster in Charlestown, Mass., was in this place on business last week.

Alice Littlehale has returned from Berlin, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Jotham Chapman were guests at O. P. Littlehale's, last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Spinney are at H. M. Kendall's.

Mrs. Virgil Adamson and children were at T. J. Sargent's, last Saturday.

H. S. Hastings was buying eggs in this place last Wednesday, for his store at Rumford Falls.

H. M. Kendall went to Ketchum, last Friday with a load of supplies for the Emery Bros.

L. U. Bartlett lost a valuable horse, last week, of colic.

Examination of Teachers.

A public examination of teachers will be held at the Academy Saturday, March 29, beginning at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

All those not holding State certificates who wish to teach in the public schools of the town during the coming school year will govern themselves accordingly.

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Three Entertaining Games.

A very enjoyable game is a variation of the old game of bean-bags. Take a hoop of about eighteen inches in diameter, and wind it with bright-colored ribbons. In the centre of this suspend a small bell by a cord. Then suspend the hoop by a cord in an open doorway. Make five small bean-bags four inches square and one large one six inches square.

Each player in turn stands ten feet from the doorway, and throws the bags, one at a time, the object being to throw them through the hoop without ringing the bell. Each of the small bags that goes through safely counts five, while "Jumbo" counts ten. But if the bell is rung, they count nothing, and if a bag goes outside the hoop, it counts five off if a small one, or ten off if it is "Jumbo." The one who first gains one hundred points wins the game.

An amusing entertainment is furnished by giving each person a piece of white gum and a card having on one side the name of an animal to be modelled from the gum, and on the other side a number. Allow twenty minutes for chewing the gum until it is soft and modelling the animal; then collect and arrange the animals upon a table, having each animal laid upon the numbered side of its card.

Each guest is then given a sheet of paper and a pencil, and is requested to write down the numbers that are on the cards, and opposite each one the name of the animal he thinks the modelling on that card was intended to represent. The one who guesses the largest number correctly, and also the one whose modelled animal is guessed correctly the greatest number of times, receive prizes.

A pleasant evening's entertainment that ensures that no cliques will be formed is living anagrams.

Pin on each guest a card on which is printed a letter of the alphabet in large type, and also furnish him with a card and a pencil. Each one then proceeds to help form as many words as possible by getting groups together whose letters will form words. That is if one has the letter A, he may join two other persons who have the letters M and N, thus making the word "man," which each one writes down on his card; then they quickly separate to join other groups. But if a person with a letter not belonging to their word joins the group the word is spoiled and cannot be counted. So those unfortunate enough to have a card with an X or a Z on it will usually spend their time in spoiling other people's words. A prize is given to the one having the greatest list of words.—Christian Endeavor World.

Jas. H. Montgomery, M. D.

In a Carefully Prepared Article Recommends Dr. D. Kennedy's Favorite Remedy.

In a recent issue of the New York Magazine of Sanitation and Hygiene, the recognized authority on all matters pertaining to health, James H. Montgomery, M. D., says editorially:

"After a careful investigation of Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, a specific for kidney, liver and bladder trouble, rheumatism, dyspepsia and constipation with its attendant ills, we are free to confess that a more meritorious medicine has never come under the examination of the chemical and medical experts of the New York Magazine of Sanitation and Hygiene. In fact, after the most searching tests and rigid inquiry into the record of Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, it becomes a duty to recommend its use in unequivocal terms to every reader of this journal whose complaint comes within the list of ailments which this remedy is advertised to cure. We have obtained such overwhelming proof of the efficacy of this specific—have so satisfactorily demonstrated its curative powers through personal experiments—that a care for the interests of our readers leads us to call attention to its great value."

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A Picture without a Frame,
'Tis Not Always Bullets that Kill,
When My Little Dolly Died,
Way Down in Old Indiana,
My Home Now of the Past,
A Little Boy in Blue,
A Thousand Leagues Under the Sea,
What'd Yo' do wid de Letter Mr. Johnson,
Nobody Ever Brings Presents to Me,
I'm Tired,
I'll be There Mary Dear,
She's Sleeping by the James,
Just a Little World of Two,
On a Sunday Afternoon,
The Tie That Binds,
The Brotherhood of Man,
Oh What a Lovely Dream,
Who's Your Friend,
Come Kiss Yo' Mammy Good Night,
Weezy, The Song of the Minstrel Man,
Ida Dunn, (I'd a done most any one for Ida Dunn),
I Just Can't Help from Lovin' that Man,
In the Heart of the Mighty Deep,
No More of Dat Man for Me,
Why Did we Drift Apart,
When the Blue Sky turns to Gold,
When the Birds go North Again,
Josephine My Jo,
I Got Mine,
On Broadway,
My Bamboo Queen,
A Rose with a Broken Stem,
Ma Southern Belle,
The Wedding of Reuben and the Maid,
Mr. Volunteer, (You don't belong to the Regulars.)

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A Signal from Mars, March and Two-Step,
Cherie Waltzes,
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Blaze Away, March and Two-Step,
The Grasshopper's Hop,
The Donkey Laugh,
Shame and Shakespeare, March and Two-Step,
With Fire and Sword, March and Two-Step,
Carmelita, Mexican Dance,
Prisoner of War March
Roma Dance, Characteristick,
The Strollers, March and Two-Step,
Loop the Loop, Two-Step,
Bugville Brigade, Characteristick Piece,
Maid of the Mist, Schottische,
Isis, Intermezzo,
In a Cozy Corner, Novelette,
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in development on the ledge and a complete five stamp mill with all other necessary machinery ready to run.

The Ozark is not a prospect, but a mine that has produced. We are placing 100,000 shares of development stock at 25c per share, capital stock 1,000,000 shares (par value \$1.00 each), fully paid and non assessable, to further develop and put the property on a paying basis.

A property lying near the Ozark, with nowhere as good a showing and very little development, sold last week to a New York syndicate for \$200,000. The Ozark will pay dividends and be worth par inside of six months. This is the best investment for the money that has ever been offered to the investing public.

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WEST BETHEL.

All the Latest News from Our Near Neighbors.

"Soon bluff Boreas, so bitter, will give birds a show to twitter,
And the lambs will take occasion, as girls often do, to skip,
And the soda-fountain fellows, in their sleeves will slyly titter,
As we ante up our nickels for the festive fizz and 'flip.'
Soon again the weary merchant will lay off a day for fishing,
And with grub, grubs, grog and tackle will set forth at dawn of day;
But in spite of all his efforts, and his almost witching wishing,
He will only carry homeward what the jug first took away."

Robins and bluebirds have come. People are beginning to use wagons here.

Mrs. H. E. Mason was quite sick for a few days last week.

Lysander Ordway has re-opened his store, and is ready for customers.

Bert Tyler of North West Bethel made us a pleasant call Sunday.

Miss Flora Rollins of Gilead visited Miss Emma Briggs, Thursday last.

The old and popular drama, "Down by the Sea," will be played in Bell's hall next Thursday evening, March 20.

The ice on the river has become unsafe for horses to pass over, but heavily loaded sleds are still moving on the roads.

Miss Ethel L. Allen was visited last week by her friend Miss Lula M. Arno of Bethel.

J. F. Rollins of Gilead is loading bark on cars here, for Hastings Bros.

James M. Seavey and wife of Bethel Hill visited L. D. Grover and family, last week.

It is reported that Fred McLeod will soon leave the hotel here, and move to Portland.

Miss Ethel L. Allen celebrated her 18th birthday on the afternoon of the 10th. Fifteen invited children attended, and she received eighteen gifts. It was a pleasant little gathering.

Rev. B. F. Fickett and wife of Norway arrived here Saturday, and were guests of Mr. Springer and family. Sunday, Mr. Fickett occupied the pulpit in Union church, and he would have had more hearers had the roads been in better condition for travel, for he has many old friends in town.

NEWRY.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Baker and little daughter, Elsie May, from Lawrence, Mass., are visiting at J. S. Allen's. They, together with Mr. Allen's family, have been sick with very bad colds. Little Gordon was at one time, very dangerously ill with a severe attack of croup. All are better at this writing.

There is much sickness in town, principally lung troubles. Mrs. Augustine Powers has been very sick, also Henry Stearns and others. This has been an exceptionally warm month thus far, but such weather is especially bad for invalids.

Mr. Jacob Thurston will commence sawing birch at his mill at the Corner next week.

Ernest Allen, who has worked in town, and has many friends here, has been lately married, and will reside in Keene, N. H., where he has employment in the shoe shop. We extend sincere congratulations.

How to Cure the Grip.

Remain quietly at home and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as directed and a quick recovery is sure to follow. That remedy counteracts any tendency of the grip to result in pneumonia, which is really the only serious danger. Among the tens of thousands who have used it for the grip, not one case has ever been reported that did not recover.

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NORTH NEWRY.

Mr. E. F. Stearns of Bethel was in town Saturday.

Mr. R. W. Kilgore went to Norway last Friday.

Miss Florence Kilgore, who has been visiting friends in Boston, returned home last week.

Miss Maenette Littlehale, who has been in Berlin, N. H., helping care for her niece, Miss Eva Stearns, who is very sick, returned home last Saturday morning.

SOUTH PARIS NEWS.

Local and Personal Items From Our Shire Town.

The High school closed Friday for a week's vacation.

Miss Abbie Starbird will spend the vacation with her cousin, Marjorie McKenney at West Paris.

The Bates Glee Club gave a concert at New Hall, Friday night. The proceeds, about thirty dollars, goes for the benefit of the High school Base Ball team. After the concert a sociable was enjoyed by all.

Laforest Brown has moved his family from the McKee house on Oxford street into the Durell house on High street.

Mr. Phin Curtis spent Sunday with Roy Abbott at North Paris.

Mr. H. M. Towne, who has been teaching the High school has returned to Lewiston. Mr. H. R. Eaton will teach next term.

Mrs. Benjamin Swett is visiting her son, Vernon Swett, in Massachusetts.

Mr. John J. Murphy has moved from C. E. Brett's house on Main street into Mr. Colby's rent on Pleasant street.

Miss Sue Wheeler is ahead in the contest for the silk quilt which is to be given to the most popular teacher.

A slight blaze started in the rear part of L. R. Cole's meat shop Saturday morning at 6:45. The quick work of the fire company speedily extinguished it.

BRYANT POND.

Mr. Fred Lurvey has been on the sick list for a week or more, but hopes to be about before long.

Miss Nell Preble has been visiting Mrs. Dexter Peverley. She intends making her home with her sister, Mrs. Carroll, and is to attend Gould's Academy this spring.

Miss Alice Day went to South Paris Wednesday afternoon, and returned Thursday.

Landlord Allen had quite a company Thursday night, of those who attended the masquerade dance. Forty couples formed on for the grand march. There were clowns, Mexicans, farmers, dancing girls and flower girls among those who masked. A nice civil time was enjoyed by all until 3 o'clock Friday morning. There were a good many strangers present from Bethel, Locke Mills and Rumford Falls. If the weather and traveling had been propitious the hall would not have been large enough to have held the company.

Edwin Fisk of Lewiston, has been visiting his friend, Harry Day.

Engineer Bowker has been visiting his people.

Ned Swan has been courting this week. Tuesday and Wednesday nights he came home, but Thursday night was obliged to remain in South Paris.

Mrs. Almon Farrar of Sumner, was a guest at Dexter Peverley's, Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred P. Chandler came to town Thursday to attend the dance, and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Crockett.

It is rumored that we are to have a new storekeeper in the place.

Little Trump, the grange drama, is to be played at West Paris as soon as the weather will permit.

Mrs. James L. Bowker is to attend the Grand Commandery, U. O. G. C., this spring as representative of Christopher Lake Commandery.

Miss Hattie Bryant, daughter of Lawson Bryant, is visiting relatives in town.

The people of this vicinity feel that they have sustained an irreparable loss in the death of Dr. Charles Hill of Bethel. He was much liked, respected and relied on, and much confidence was placed in his skill as a physician and surgeon. His place will be hard to fill.

LOCKE MILLS.

A. L. Emery and Harry Farnham are in the maple sugar "biz."

Another dance at Dan Cole's Saturday evening, March 22.

Will Coolidge lost a valuable cow Tuesday night, the 11th.

The Union Circle gave a supper at Mount Abram Hotel hall Thursday evening, the 13th.

W. H. Farnham is in New Hampshire on a business trip.

Health

"For 25 years I have never missed taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla every spring. It cleanses my blood, makes me feel strong, and does me good in every way."—John P. Hodnette, Brooklyn, N.Y.

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Ask your doctor what he thinks of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. He knows all about this grand old family medicine. Follow his advice and we will be satisfied.

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GRAFTON.

Andrew Jenkins of Errol, N. H., was in town Sunday.

C. T. Parker is working for Dennis Kilgore at his mill in Newry.

Master Glegonne Brooks has been visiting his sister, Mrs. C. W. McInnis at Milton Plantation.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Otis visited the logging works of Blanchard & Twitchell at Cambridge, N. H., recently.

Mertie Brooks was in Andover Friday, returning Saturday with her brother, Elmer, who has been with his sister, Mrs. Floyd Searle.

E. I. Brown was in town last week, on his way to his camp at Diamond; Mrs. Brown is visiting her mother at Thomaston.

The many friends of Mrs. Gilbert Tyler of this town, will be sorry to know of her illness. Mrs. Tyler has been very ill, but at last reports was some better, and we hope to see her out again soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Silas Peaslee passed through town the first of last week, on their way to their home in Upton.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Jenkins of Rumford Falls made a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Pratt recently. They were accompanied by Mr. Jenkins' father, who will remain with his son, Andrew, at Errol, N. H. Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins returned to the Falls Monday.

A household necessity—Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Heals burns, cuts, wounds of any sort; cures sore throat, croup, catarrh, asthma; never fails.

NORTH STONEHAM.

R. M. McKee, Mr. Churchill, Austin Warren and Wm. Adams were called to Paris Wednesday, to the trial of Theodore Twitchell.

Emma Warren will finish work at the boarding house of J. Bartlett in this place Saturday.

H. B. McKee and family visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lorin McKee of East Stoneham, Saturday and Sunday.

Ina Gammon has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Bertha Keniston of Lovell, the past week.

Clarence Files has been at home sick for a few days.

Charlie Adams was at home from Waterford Saturday.

S. C. Sawyer has finished hauling pine for Edward McAllister.

Linwood Sawyer is at work for Wm. Gammon.

John Adams has bought another horse.

To Mothers in This Town.

Children who are delicate, feverish and cross will rest immediately after taking Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children. They cleanse the stomach, act on the liver, making a sickly child strong and healthy. A certain cure for worms. Sold by all druggists. See Sample Package. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

BROWNFIELD.

The snow is nearly gone.

Wheels are taking the place of runners on the streets.

J. R. Hill met with a serious accident March 11, while engaged in loading bolts on a wagon. While placing a bolt on the load the team started causing the bolt to slide off, hitting Mr. Hill, and throwing him on to a pile of bolts, fracturing two ribs.

Mrs. Lewis of Porter is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Gilpatrick, in this village.

Mrs. Linscott has returned to her home in this village. She spent the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Wesley Cole, in Weston, Mass.

NEWRY CORNER.

Berta May, infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Gaudet, has been very ill for some days.

Mr. Frank Bisbee has been confined to the house by illness.

Mr. Jonathan Smith is able to be out again.

Mr. Don Smith met with an accident, and has been detained from work a short time.

H. S. Hastings brought a lot of good calves from Andover, Saturday.

Mr. H. Clinton Barker of Bethel has been appointed auctioneer for Oxford county.

Mrs. H. S. Hastings was ill two days, last week.

Mrs. Dorcas Goodnow and Mrs. E. Tyler are both still confined to their rooms.

Mrs. Fred Kilgore and daughter are spending the winter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Smith.

A traveling show exhibited here, Monday evening; the exhibition was followed by a social dance.

On Thursday, Mrs. Virgil Chapman visited her sister, Mrs. Robt. Inman of North West Bethel.

Sap is flowing freely and maple syrup is plenty.

ALBANY.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry T. Sawin of North Waterford visited at S. G. Bean's, last week.

Mr. H. Clinton Barker of Bethel has been appointed auctioneer for Oxford county.

L. J. Andrews and family went to North Waterford the 14th.

A. W. Jenkins of Upton visited his brother, E. T. Jenkins, recently.

Edward F. Upton had the misfortune to cut his foot quite badly, several days ago.

There will be another dance at the Grange hall, Mar. 24. All are cordially invited.

Master Oscar Jenkins of Upton will spend a few weeks this spring, with his uncle, E. T. Jenkins.

Maud Beckler is home from Milo, where she has been staying with her brother the past few months.

Master Guy Cummings, son of D. A. Cummings, has been seriously ill the past week, but is thought to be a very little better at this writing.

The dance and supper given by Round Mountain Grange at their hall, Mar. 10, was a success in every sense of the word. A warm pleasant night, good roads, a nice civil crowd and the snug little sum of \$9.00 left after paying musicians. What more could one ask?

The L. R. T. Club at its session, Mar. 5, chose the following officers for the ensuing year:

Pres.—Mrs. F. G. Sloan.
Vice Pres.—Miss Estella Bean.
Treas. and Chorister—Miss Ada Bean.
Sec. and Lib.—Mrs. Alma Jenkins.

HANOVER.

E. Kirk Barker passed away Friday night, after a long illness. He leaves a father, mother, brother and two sisters, also hosts of friends. Kirk was a young man of sterling character, a devoted son and brother as well as a true friend.

His long illness of consumption was borne patiently and uncomplainingly, and he has left a pleasant memory to both kindred and friends.

Mrs. Anson Hayford and Mrs. A. T. Powers attended the Chapman concert at Rumford Falls, Monday evening.

Anson Hayford and Allen Richardson came up from Rumford Falls to spend Sunday with their families.

The supper and social at Union Hall, Wednesday, was well attended. Another will be given Wednesday, March 26. Supper ten cents.

Mr. E. P. Smith has a fine flock of lambs, also seven nice calves, and a litter of young pigs.

Farmers are tapping sugar orchards.

Mr. Howard Thurston has been measuring pulp wood for Rumford Falls mills.

We received a pleasant call from our friend, Mr. Albert Richardson, last Wednesday.

Dr. Twaddelle was called to visit the sick Monday, also again Wednesday.

The funeral services of Mr. Kirk Barker, who died Saturday, were held on Tuesday at 10 a. m.

SUGAR-MAKERS' SUPPLIES.

Order your Sap Pans early so as to have them when the season commences.

Buckets, Carriers, Pans, Spouts, Gallon Syrup Cans.

We carry the Willis' Sap Spout, also Cook's Patent Plug Tapping Bits.

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NORTH ALBANY.

C. P. Piugree was called to So. Paris last Monday, to attend the funeral of his brother-in-law, Wm. H. Hebbard, who died very suddenly of typhoid pneumonia.

The Paris Mfg Co. have finished laying and are now sawing and sticking the lumber in the field, as sledding is nearly gone.

March 6, occurred a quiet wedding. Mr. Hermsu Brown and Mary E. Kimball went to Shelburne, N. H., and were united in marriage.

Phillip Rolfe and wife visited his parents last week.

Mr. D. Cushing and wife visited at her father's last week.

Most of the men in this section have finished hauling pulp wood.

The Paris Mfg Co.'s mill in this place burned Saturday night about nine o'clock. Mr. Salisbury, the foreman, telephoned to the company Sunday morning. It is understood they will rebuild at once.

Elbridge Prince fell from a lodged tree while trying to unlodge it, and struck on his left hand, putting two fingers out of joint. He has been unable to use it since.

Calvin Cummings has moved from the Mill to Bethel, into one of Isaac Morrill's rents.

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Bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Hutchins*
MASON.

Mrs. Arthur Morrill remains about the same.

Mrs. Ernest Morrill is quite poorly.

Ervin Hutchinson is juryman at South Paris this week.

Dr. Barker of Norway was called to Arthur Morrill's one day last week.

Heard a robin sing on the morning of March 13.

You will never wish to take another dose of pills if you once try Chamberlain's Stomach & Liver Tablets. They are easier to take and more pleasant in effect. They cleanse the stomach and regulate the liver and bowels.

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NORTH PARIS.

Mrs. Carrie Marshall is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. E. Curtis.

H. S. Dow came home Mar. 11.

F. E. Gowell went to South Paris the 12th.

Charles Stevens has a large amount of sawing this spring. He employs two hands.

F. L. Barrett loaded a car of potatoes the 14th.

Mrs. Lucy Edwards visited her parents and brother last week.

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NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of SAMUEL F. LIT, late of Greenwood, in the county of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

February 29, 1902. Asa L. Young.

COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE.

Oxford, ss. March 5th, A. D. 1902. We, the undersigned, having been duly appointed by the Honorable Addison E. Herrick, Judge of Probate within and for said County, Commissioners to receive and decide upon the claims of the creditors of Lemuel Wheeler late of Gilead in said County, deceased, whose estate has been reported insolvent, hereby give public notice, respectively, to the order of said Judge of Probate, that six months from and after the third Tuesday of February, 1902, have been allowed to said creditors to present and prove their claims, and that we will attend to the duty assigned us at the office of Herrick & Park in Bethel, in said County, on Monday, May 26th, 1902, and on Monday, August 18th, 1902, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of each of said days.

E. L. TWITCHELL, Commissioner.

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A sum of money in Bethel post-office. Owner can have same by proving property and paying advertising charges.

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Williamsburgh City Fire Insurance Co., of Brooklyn, New York.	Aetna Indemnity Co. of Hartford, Conn. (Incorporated in 1897.)
Assets Dec. 31, 1901.	Amount at risk, \$27,221,808.98.
Real Estate, \$ 638,000 00	Cash Assets, Dec. 31, 1901.
Mortgage loans, 253,450 00	Non resident stockholders tax account and
Collateral loans, 25,000 00	Loans on bond and mort-
Stocks and bonds, 1,151,350 00	gages (first liens), \$ 1,139 25
Cash in office and bank, 18,984 62	Stocks and bonds owned
Interest and rents, 18,849 41	by the company, mar-
Uncollected premiums, 128,886 56	ket value, 327,625 00
Gross assets, \$2,234,020 59	Cash in the Co.'s principal
Admitted assets, \$2,234,020 59	office and in bank, 19,391 91
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1901.	Interest due and accrued
Net unpaid losses, \$ 73,510 90	Premiums in due
Unearned premiums, 690,786 99	course of collection, 14,648 43
All other liabilities, 31,789 63	
Total, \$ 296,087 52	
Cash capital, 250,000 00	
Surplus over all liabilities, 1,187,933 07	
Total liabilities and surplus, \$2,234,020 59	

The Travelers Insurance Co., of Hartford, Conn. (Incorporated in 1863.)	Amount at Risk, \$115,222,312.
Amount at Risk, \$115,222,312.	at Risk, \$40,055,032.
CASH ASSETS, DEC. 31, 1901.	
Real Estate owned by the Company, unincumbered, \$1,799,575.45	
Loans on bond and mortgage (first liens), 6,532,038.62	
Stocks and Bonds owned by the Company, market value, \$2,019,958.62	
Loans on collateral security, 3,498,959.00	
Cash in the Company's principal office and in bank, 1,846,630.58	
Interest due and accrued, 287,034.35	
Deferred and unreported Life Premiums, 698,532.69	
	\$33,844,629.31
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1901.	
Net amount of unpaid losses and claims, \$ 233,829.92	
Reserve for claims against employers, 783,620.74	
Reserve for re-insurance, Commissions and other demands against the Co., 634,242.49	
All liabilities except capital stock and net surplus, 28,352,182.45	
Capital paid up in cash, 1,000,000.00	
Surplus beyond capital, 3,992,446.36	
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DINING-ROOM—Oak sideboard, with bevel mirror; Six oak cane seat dining chairs; Oak dining table; Decorated dinner set; Table cover; 15 yards matting.

BED-ROOM—One golden oak chamber set, (including bed, dressing case, commode, table and chair); Woven wire spring; One soft top mattress; One pair pillows; One comforter; Toilet set; 12 yds. matting.

KITCHEN—Nice range; Kitchen table; 3 chairs; Set of tinware; 12 yards oil cloth.

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Communication.

Continued from page one.

You mention, in one of your numbers, picketing on the Rappahannock Station affair. Was it anywhere near Raccoon Ford, or do you recall such a sporty name? And I desire most heartily to add my testimony to what you mention of the hospitality of the 5th to their prisoners on the night of Nov. 7th aforesaid. Bivouacking on the field—captors and prisoners together—I can safely say I enjoyed a far better supper than I had partaken of for, I might say, years. Coffee, real coffee—Ye Gods! What a luxury (then, to us.) I distinctly remember a young Lieutenant named Boyd who opened his heart and haversack and shared with me. I would wager my life he was a brave man. I do not remember whether he belonged to the 5th or 6th, but I would like to learn his fate. Was not General Beal at that time in the 6th? It did seem to me a surprising thing to learn that night that there, near me, on the field, lay Sergeant Barnard of Calais (son of Ed A. Barnard) with a leg so badly shattered that, as I afterward learned, amputation became necessary. Poor fellow, he died a day or two afterwards. Hearing the name Barnard mentioned with some expression of lament from one of the group around the fire, I asked if the Barnard, referred to was a son of E. A. Barnard of Calais, and when told that he was, was questioned as to what I should know of him. My reply was that the young man's father had been my father's guest, many a time, in this very State. The fathers of the sons had been, and remained warm friends, and I, afterward, in New Orleans, in 1867, had a very pleasant interview with a younger brother of Sergeant Barnard, who was south for his health.

I would like so much to see you, General, at your home. I used to know a great many Maine people, J. C. Brown and son, Furbishes, Crams, and others in Portland; Barnard of Calais, J. B. Foster of Bangor, and others whose names I have forgotten, in other places, Belfast in the number. Indeed I was interested in a fine schooner hailing from this last named place, called Robert S. Bell. Along about 1861, however, my interest in said vessel suddenly subsided.

The numbers that relate the career of your regiment after Rappahannock Station are deeply absorbing to me. I have to go along with them, from our standpoint, only the relation of my former comrades who joined issues with you on the strenuous fields that followed to Appomattox. But many and many a time I prayed to be with them while I raged and strove within the sea-girt prison walls wherein you had helped consign me—Johnson's Island. But what does man, finite man, know of God's purposes, and why can we not just submit? Why?

The four years are long over. Thirty-seven years have obliterated sectional feeling to a very great degree, certainly, and I think the general verdict throughout the land would be for the discomfiture of him, whoever and wherever he be, who encourages the baneful thing, thereby weakening the whole country, for is it not true that a house divided against itself cannot stand?

Now, I don't know what you will think of all this stuff, if ever you survive it, but I feel so drawn toward you, General, that you must pardon me if I inflict it upon you. I call to mind the remark of a gallant Illinois general who, when I was introduced to him some years ago, said as he grasped my hand, "There is, my dear sir, a strange fascination for me in the acquaintance and companionship of one known to have been in the field and opposed to me and true." I responded cordially to his sentiment, and it is in this vein I write to you now, General.

With this mail I send you an old magazine that I have kept for a long time because of the accurate description of my division (Early's) "from Fredricksburg to Gettysburg." Tell me what you think of the article. I trust that you are feeling better and that happy years are yet yours.

I hear from our mutual friend, Judge Whitman, now and then.

HE FEARED HE HAD LOST

When Wu Ting Fang, the famous Chinese Minister to Washington, irritable and somewhat forgetful from a severe cold, missed one day from the front of his cap the immense diamond he always wears there, he was dreadfully frightened. A friend pointed out that the statesman had inadvertently doctored his turban wrong side before, and that the diamond was safe in the rear. Had Wu Ting Fang been wearing a Benson's Porous Plaster on his chest or back to cure his cold, he never would have doubted its location. He would have felt it doing its work, warming and making flexible the torpid muscles, extracting the pain and soreness, promoting the free circulation of the blood, stimulating the skin and lungs to proper action, and so dissolving and banishing the malady. Thus we perceive, beloved friends, that

THE BIG DIAMOND ON HIS HAT

while a pretty thing to look upon, was of no practical use. But Benson's Plasters are supremely useful. They relieve and cure gout, rheumatism, neuralgia, colds on the chest, lame back, etc., so quickly and completely as to make you wonder how it can be. Better now, well to-morrow; that's the way they work. Get the genuine. All druggists, or we will prepay postage on any number ordered in the United States on receipt of 25c. each.

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He is an entertaining correspondent, and owes me a letter now.

We have had weather lately that seems more suitable for your part of the world at this season, but we can't manage to stay much anywhere near the zero mark.

With respect and sincere regard, I am, yours &c.,

ROBERT S. BELL.

At the beginning of the Civil war our good friend and his father resided in Norfolk, Virginia, a city that is known to-day as one of the most beautiful and flourishing cities of the Southland. Capt. Bell's father was the owner of the schooner, named "Robt. S. Bell," a vessel well known in southern waters among the many "coasters" which were doing a prosperous business before the war. The schooner mentioned was named in honor of the writer of the above letter and was built at Belfast, Me., in the middle 50's.

Norfolk, situated near the mouth of the historical James river was blockaded during the first year of the war and many vessels owned by southern people were entrapped, the "Robt. S. Bell" among the number.

Preferring freedom of action to the enforced restraint imposed by the blockade, the schooner, laden with cotton and leaf tobacco, made a dash for liberty. The blockade however, was not broken, and the schooner, with her valuable cargo, fell into the hands of opponents, thus causing an irreparable loss to her owners.

The Bell family was one of the leading families of the "Old Dominion," and ranked among what was known as the f-f-v's. In shipping business the name Bell was familiar to all in the coasting trade from Eastport to New Orleans.

Soon after the loss of the schooner and much other valuable property, Capt. Bell decided to "even up" matters and entered the Confederate service in command of Virginian troops, but soon after commanded troops from North Carolina.

In November, 1863, he was captured with 1600 other prisoners at Rappahannock Station by the 5th Maine Regiment.

I well remember the moment when he gave his sword to me, and can never forget the remarks he made, freighted as they were with all the feelings that emphasize the soldier's highest honor. After his capture he was taken to Washington where he remained a short time when he was taken with the other prisoners down the Potomac a few miles and was detained in the prison camp on the Maryland shore till the spring of '63, when he was transferred to Johnson's Island in Lake Erie, where he and many of his Confederate associates sojourned till the close of the war. Geo. Penn of Louisiana, who was among the prisoners, told me a few years ago, that he could never think of the cold winters of '64 and '65, spent on Johnson's Island, without having his teeth chatter, in fact, that he had not regained in twenty-five years his normal temperature.

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